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- saccharides having a degree of glucose polymerization of at least 3;
- (2) Molecular weight
About 69,000-79,000 daltons on sodium dodecyl sulfate polyacrylamide gel electrophoresis (SDS-PAGE);
- (3) Isoelectric point (pI)
About 5.4-6.4 on isoelectrophoresis;
- (4) Thermostability
Substantially not inactivated even when incubated in an aqueous solution (pH 7.0) at 85°C for 60 min.; and
- (5) Amino acid sequence
An amino acid sequence which is not identical to SEQ ID NO:1 but which has physicochemical properties of (1) to (4) inherent to a thermostable enzyme of SEQ ID NO:1, said amino acid sequence comprising the sequence of at least two contiguous amino acid residues in SEQ ID NO:3 and/or SEQ ID NO:4.

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REMARKS

The amendment to the claim is being made to place the claim in better condition for examination.